


REMARKS


Claims 1 and 2 remain in this application.


The Office Action requires election of invention from the following: Group I, including claim 1 directed to an authentication apparatus; and Group II directed to claim 2 drawn to a locking apparatus. Applicant elects Group II, claim 2.

In light of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in proper form for allowance of all claims and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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